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\$1 A YEAR, CASH.

Melon Day Prizes.

The prizes offered by the Committee on Melon Day have all been awarded as follows:

Largest load of Alfalfa: Frank A. Manzaneros, \$5.00 in merchandise, donated by Erickson & Co.

Largest load of Millet: J. C. VanDyke, \$5.00 in merchandise donated by Blankenship & Co.

Best bale of Broom Corn: Wm. Chapman, \$5.00 in Merchandise donated by Kemp Lumber Co.

Best span of Mules: Levi Goodson, \$5.00 cash donated by J. O. Welborn.

Best Hog Display: J. H. Edwards, \$5.00 cash donated by First National Bank.

Biggest load of Beans: J. C. VanDyke, \$3.00 in cash donated by M. A. Reaney.

Best Colt under 1 year: R. D. Bell, Riddle, N. M., \$3.00 merchandise donated by N. Madrid.

Best Dairy Cow: M. M. Brewell, \$3.00 merchandise donated by Katz Mercantile Co.

Best Trio Turkeys: T. J. Grant, \$3.00 cash donated by Mrs. R. Benshien.

Best Stock Cow and Calf: V. A. Lykes, \$2.50 cash donated by H. W. Simmons.

Best Trio Draft Horses: John W. Allen, \$2.50 merchandise donated by J. A. Northington.

Best Trio Ducks: S. Katz, \$2.50 cash donated by Damp & Silva.

Best Trio Geese: S. Katz, \$2.50 cash donated by D. B. Palmer.

Best Trio Chickens: Mrs. Mary Burt, \$2.00 Hat donated by Mrs. H. A. Coker.

Largest Watermelon: F. A. Manzaneros, \$2.00 cash donated by Mrs. P. M. Jaramillo.

Finest Bull: George Yockey, \$2.00 work donated by A. J. Gilliam.

Peek Peanuts: W. J. Wilmoth, \$2.00 donated by D. Hoodeapple.

Six Heads of Cabbage: J. C. VanDyke, donated by J. M. Sandoval.

Crate of Cantaloupe: R. C. Nisbet, \$1.00 merchandise donated by Mrs. A. Hensley.

Dozen ears irrigated corn: W. C. Pledger, \$1.00 cash donated by J. A. Perkins.

25 heads maize, irrigated: F. S. Black, \$1.00 cash donated by A. P. Anaya.

25 heads of heads Kaffir Corn, irrigated: F. S. Black, \$1.00 cash donated by Isaac Sandoval.

Bushel Sweet Potatoes, irrigated: W. C. Pledger, \$1.00 cash donated by W. F. McIntyre.

Bushel Irish Potatoes, irrigated: R. C. Nisbet, \$1.00 cash donated by C. W. Peop.

Dozen Ears Corn, dry: George Yockey, \$1.00 cash donated by T. V. Simmons.

25 heads Kaffir Corn, dry: J. W. Sellers, \$1.00 subscription donated by A. Clausen.

Assortment of Vegetables: R. C. Nisbet, 500 pounds of coal donated by S. J. Slane.

The base ball game between Harmon Bros. and Melrose was won by the latter and the box of cigars donated Dr. W. R. Lovelace was presented to the team.

The best article on "dry farming" was handed in Peter Yockey and the year's subscription to the Review went to him. The article appears on page 5 of this issue. Others that were entered in the contest will appear from time to time.

A few of the prizes offered were not earned and the following persons will have their donations refunded to them if they will call on J. O. Welborn.

The Review suggests that the unearned funds be accredited to

the general fund of the Fort Sumner Commercial Club, and this will be published next week, showing what monies have been added to the Commercial Club treasury and what returned. Tom Fitzgibbons \$5.00; Thomas Hall \$5.00; A. B. Harris \$5.00; Mrs. M. Philion \$3.00 J. H. Keeling 2.00 and C. E. Ackerman 2.00.

The judges were fair in their decisions and no complaints were heard. The judges were C. W. Walker and Eugene Cester of Clovis and Dr. W. L. Rogers, of Pilot Point, Tex.

The display of farm products was well handled by J. O. Welborn and proved a credit to Fort Sumner and her surrounding farmers.

Campmeeting Closes.

The Holiness Campmeeting that has been in progress at LaLande, for the past several weeks closes tomorrow. The attendance has not been as large as hoped for but otherwise the meeting has been a great success. Rev. Bud Robinson, the famous Texas evangelist, was the leading speaker during the meeting. Dr. W. L. Rogers, of Pilot Point, Texas, took an active part in making the big meeting a success. Prof. William J. Beeson is to be congratulated on the thoroughness with which the long program was planned and executed. Now that the campmeeting is over all hope to see active work on the new Holiness College pushed energetically. Success is possible and Prof. Beeson, as president, is the right man in the right place.

Asleep at the Switch

The special reporter sent by the Review to our distant county seat has failed to get in a report of this week's county court proceedings in time for publication.

Same to You!

From reliable sources it is learned that a certain official, who is not the Governor of the Territory but who stands high in the political councils of his party, remarked that he "would rather go to H— than to Fort Sumner". The Commercial Club should make an immediate effort to convert the gentleman or his San-tanic Majesty will have a boarder who will be everlastingly worrying him with regretful, longing tales of Fort Sumner's lakes and canals, her everflowing Pecos and her abundant supply of cool, clear drinking water.

Richard Dunn, president of the Mero Lumber Company, Mountain Air, N. M., transacted business in town Tuesday.

The Dairy Industry.

A good season will witness a production of feed in the "dry" section, the disposition of which will tax the wits of every farmer. The dairy industry opens an avenue of profit about which little is known in New Mexico. Here the dairy business is in its infancy, here it can be developed into one of the territory's greatest industries. Four hundred cows are sufficient to induce the location of a profitable creamery in Ft. Sumner and thousands of milk cows can conveniently be fed on the millet, sorghum, kaffir corn and maize that grows so abundantly on all the farms within this district. Steps have been taken by Secretary VanHecke of the Fort Sumner Commercial Club toward the establishment of a creamery plant. One good season will put the business on a firm, money-making basis and a profitable outlet for all our feed production will be assured. There is more profit in marketing feed in a milk can than in a hay rack.

Association Needed.

The farmers of the Fort Sumner District, irrigated and dry, need an association and need it immediately. Whether it be a Farmer's Club, a Cantaloupe Growers association, or a Fruit Growers association is immaterial. The object to be attained is concerted action on subjects of vital importance to all. The letter from M. O. Goggin Co., Pittsburg, Pa., published last week in the Review adds weight to this suggestion. They can handle the cantaloupe crop from 400 acres. Concerted action to induce the planting of 500 600 acres next season should be immediately taken. Co-operation in shipping the product is as necessary as the growing.

The Territorial Fruit Stock Inspection Law are admitted to be inadequate and it is a known fact that the eastern nurseries have for years used New Mexico as a dumping ground for poor nursery stock. How else are we going to prevent the receipt of diseased stock except through a well organized association with iron rules? Much has said and written about the commission man's robbery of the farmer but the affliction is not known where a proper organization systematically markets every crop.

An association will cost money but it will roll up additional profits for every member until the initial expense will seem insignificant. Where among our farmers is the leader who will step forward and push this through to a successful finish?

"While The Cat's Away"

Judge M. R. Baker is spending the week at the county seat and while he is expounding the law, challenging venemore and cross-examining witnesses, the herculean task of editing the Review has fallen upon your humble servant, L. C. VanHecke. If you do not find your favorite patent medicine advertisement in the usual place, if your name is not spelled right or if the Review fails to mention the latest case of measles in your family, don't blame the Judge—"While the Cat's away the mice will play".

Phones Show Prosperity

The new telephone line to the head gate is almost completed and the subscribers in the west part of town will soon have service installed. Manager C. E. Ackerman reports that the present equipment is by no means adequate to handle the business. Ten new lines will be strung immediately north and south thru Main Street and all of the poles along Sumner Avenue must be replaced with heavier poles. "Things move rapidly in the great Southwest" and especially in Fort Sumner.

Fruit Farming.

The Fort Sumner district is a proven fruit country. The valley will produce in abundance apples, peaches, pears and grapes, the crops for which the Pecos Valley is justly famous. Here the big red apple will reach the summit of perfection that has been attained in the Pecos Valley, here the peach crop will prove as profitable as in the famous Grand Junction country and here grapes can be added to the list of sure growers. There is scarcely a land owner in the valley who is not planning from five to eighty acres of orchard or vineyard and the planting season from December to May will leave the valley dotted and cross-crossed with thousands of acres of newly planted fruits and year after year will see a gradual, steady development until Fort Sumner assumes her rightful place among the fruit-growing centers of the Great Southwest.

Wanted: Farmers Institute.

It is admitted that the best agricultural educational work that has been accomplished by the State and Territorial Experimental Stations has been through the medium of the Farmer's Institute. Unfortunately the last legislature failed to make an appropriation for carrying on this work in New Mexico but the need for such an institute is so great that some means should be devised for overcoming this deficiency. Doubtless Prof. J. D. Tinsley and other members of the faculty of the School of Agriculture will be glad to donate their services for three or four days if their expenses are guaranteed. At this stage of development in the valley, when all are seriously considering the planting of orchards, when fields of alfalfa are being seeded everywhere and last season's problems are still fresh in the farmer's mind, this time is ripe for scientific advice. The institute not only affords an opportunity to ask and receive advice from those who are making life studies of the Territory's agricultural resources but it affords a gathering of interested minds and the exchange of valuable experience. The latter part of October or the first of November is an ideal time to hold an institute. The expense will necessarily have to be borne among the farmers who are to reap the benefit.

Wedding Sunday.

Cards are out announcing the coming marriage of Miss Ruby Hawkins and W. R. Sanderson of Lanika, Texas. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hawkins, Crossbeck, Texas. Miss Hawkins has been living here for about a year and is one of our most popular young ladies. Her father is here to attend the wedding which will be performed by Justice Perkins and immediately after the ceremony the bride and the fortunate young man will leave for Lanika, Texas, to make their future home. The Review and the entire community of Fort Sumner wish the young couple well, may their wedded life be long and happy.

Wounded Recovering.

Ensom Howard, of Portales, who was more or less seriously hurt by the wreck of the ill-fated Melon Day Special is slowly recovering. Mr. Howard was injured internally and for some time grave doubts were entertained for his recovery. Latest advice reports him out of danger and on the way to immediate recovery.

Lamb Feeding.

The beginning of the lamb feeding industry will mark an epoch in the agricultural advancement of the Fort Sumner District. Feed of unexcelled quality is being produced under irrigation and another season will see a volume from both irrigated and dry farms for which an outlet must be found. In another part of this issue under the caption "The High and Dry Farmer," Frank N. Page dwells at length on the absolute necessity of feeding stock to get the greatest and most profitable returns from dry farming. Lambs from this very district are being shipped every year to Colorado for fattening where they are put on the eastern market to command high prices. All of this wealth and more can be retained at home when we are able to raise feed in the necessary quantity and when the farmer learns that he must have stock of some sort to consume his feed.

Obituary.

On Tuesday evening, Rev. H. L. Hubbard, one of the leaders in the Holiness movement, passed away at LaLande. Dr. Hubbard was ill but a short time and in spite of the best medical attention obtainable succumbed to an attack of typhoid fever. He was buried Thursday at LaLande.

Rev. Hubbard was born in central Texas, in 1874, and for many years has made his home in Pilot, Texas, where he was well known and respected for his spirituality, his ability as an evangelist and his sterling worth as a citizen. He came from Pilot Point to LaLande a few weeks ago to assist in building the Holiness College. He became a member of the Holiness Association about eight years ago having officiated in the Nazarene Church prior to his active connection with the Holiness movement. He leaves three brothers and a sister besides his wife and baby. His wife has returned to her relatives at Pilot Point.

Rev. Hubbard was fairly well known in Fort Sumner having preached here several times. He is well spoken of and kindly remembered by all who heard him.

New Photographer.

B. T. Bivens who moved his family here recently from Melrose, N. M., has opened temporary studio on Main St. and has rented Dr. Lovelace's house. Mr. Bivens will move here immediately and build on the lots he recently purchased south of Lake Sumner. Mr. Bivens needs no introduction to the people of Fort Sumner. His reputation as a man and a photographer is well known.

Wedding Bells.

Miss Minnie Wilburn, daughter of Rev. D. P. Wilburn, was married at Santa Rosa some time last week. The young lady has many friends who wish her all the happiness that mortals deserve. The gentleman is not so well known, but he has taken a homestead among us and has set a fine example for the many bachelor homesteaders. What is home without a wife? Those who care to investigate may ascertain from this happy couple that "Marriage is not a failure."

Intensive Culture.

Every inch of irrigated land should produce something of value and in years to come the irrigationalist will learn to appreciate the value of intensive culture. Every orchard will produce quick money crops from between the rows of trees, crop after crop will be planted until three and even four crops of produce are taken from the same land during one season and even the wasted strip along the fence will ribwort, horse-radish and other easily raised crops. Cow peas to be turned back into the soil are now being raised in the same row with cantaloupe, pumpkins will flourish with corn. Peas, beans, celery, turnips, can all be alternated and multiplied until a given piece of ground will bring results to its owner that would be fabulous to the easterner dependent upon rain. Intensive soil culture merely awakens the small tract farmer. Many are now farming ten acre tracts, next will come the five acre garden and the wonder of it

LOCALETES

T. M. Westbrook and his wife from LaLande, visited friends in town Thursday.

Erickson & Company's windows are a credit to Main Street. Now that a precedent has been established other dealers may profitably follow suit.

Mrs. Annie Cullahoun of Elida, N. M., has accepted a position in the Review office.

Frank N. Page of Buchanan, whose name heads an article on Dry Farming in this issue of the Review, transacted business in town this week.

Prof. J. R. Helm drove over from LaLande Friday to attend to matters connected with his farm under the canal.

There is nothing better we know of for all kidney troubles than Pineules. These pills are really excellent in cases of weak back and backache, pains in the neck of the bladder, rheumatic pain and kindred ailments, due to weakened, disordered kidneys. Sold by Sunnyside Drug Co.

Rev. E. P. Aldrich, proprietor of the Roosevelt County Hotel at Portales, spent part of the week here.

George C. Deans, family is enjoying a visit from his mother.

Telesfo Jaramillo who has been ill for some time has successfully passed the critical stage and is in a fair way to recovery. He is under the care of Dr. Lovelace.

R. E. Hamilton came over from Yesso, yesterday on business.

H. A. McDonald, of Yesso, who has been under Dr. Lovelace's care for the past few weeks, is able to be out again.

For Sale—120 acres of patent land, within 5 miles of Ft. Sumner; living water; a choice place for a dairy ranch; cheap for cash.

C. W. Peop.

G. H. Anderson who has been handling the E. P. Aldrich farm during the past season has left for Lubbock, Texas.

Mrs. Robert Clark who was brought in from her home 25 miles north and placed under the care of Dr. Lovelace, is convalescent.

WANTED: Pictures of Old Fort Sumner. Anyone having or knowing of pictures of Old Fort Sumner will please communicate with

L. C. VANHECKE

S. F. Wooding, of Clovis spent two days in town this week drumming up trade on his home made sausage. Katz Mercantile Co., have taken the agency for his product.

LOST—Ladies coat, dark grey cravatette; on road between LaLande and Fort Sumner, on Sunday evening—return to this office and receive reward.

Will Nisbet, of Portales, N. M., visited his parents on Melon Day. Mr. Nisbet was among the few who braved the entire journey after being spilled in the ditch by the Santa Fe.

C. C. Henry spent Monday and Tuesday at the county seat completing arrangements for his appointment as U. S. Commissioner.

J. O. Welborn is spending the week in Amarillo, Texas, visiting relatives.